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Explore More Nature with Seattle Parks and Recreation

Autumn 2019 Environmental Learning Programs

Seattle's environmental learning centers offer programs at parks throughout the city. These programs are hands-on experiences employing games, props, and activities to enhance the learning adventure. They are developed to give people a positive experience outdoors and a sense of community and connection with our green spaces. Every quarter, new programs are offered based upon the seasons and the interests of the public. Pre-registration is required for all programs so please peruse the following offerings to find something that interests you and register today.

Please remember all children must be accompanied by an adult.

Please take note of the location of a program because there are many different options. The location is listed underneath the program title. If you need directions to a place, please contact one of the environmental learning centers for assistance.



Photo by Greg Thompson

Registration

- Go to www.seattle.gov/parks and click on sign up for activities. You need to create an account in order to register online. Once you created an account, use the course code number listed in the program description. The course code number is listed next to the program date.
- Another way to register is to contact Discovery Park or Camp Long Environmental Learning Centers and a staff person can register you for the program of your choice.

Autumn 2019 Programs at a Glance

DATE	PROGRAM	LOCATION	TIME	AGE	COST
Sept. 28	Bird Tour	Discovery Park	8-10a.m.	8+	\$10
Oct. 5	Tot Trek:Fall Forest Frolic	Camp Long	10:30- 11:45a.m.	2-3	\$5
Oct. 5	Mushroom Walk	Camp Long	1-3p.m.	12+	\$10
Oct. 12	Bird Tour	Discovery Park	8-10a.m.	8+	\$5
Oct. 12	Full Moon Owl Prowl	Discovery Park	5:30-7:30p.m.	8+	\$10
Oct. 13	Fall Family Forest Adv.	Camp Long	2-4p.m.	All	\$10
Oct. 19	Bird Tour	Discovery Park	8-10a.m.	8+	\$5
Oct. 20	Mushroom Walk	Discovery Park	1-3p.m.	12+	\$10
Oct. 26	Bird Tour	Discovery Park	8-10a.m.	8+	\$5
Oct. 26	Tot Trek - Happy Halloween Walk	Discovery Park	10:30- 11:45a.m.	2-3	\$10
Nov. 9	Bird Tour	Discovery Park	8-10a.m.	8+	\$5
Nov. 9	Salmon Walk	Carkeek Park	10a.m.-Noon	5+	\$10
Nov. 10	Mushroom Walk	Carkeek Park	1-3p.m.	12+	\$10
Nov. 16	Bird Tour	Discovery Park	8-10a.m.	8+	\$5
Nov. 21	Something's Fishy	Carkeek Park	10a.m.-Noon	50+	\$18
Dec. 7	Hollyday Decorations	Discovery Park	2-4:30p.m.	6+	\$15
Dec. 8	Winter Wander Along Longfellow Cr.	Camp Long & Longfellow Creek	12:30-3:30p.m.	6+	\$10
Dec. 13	Nighttime at the Beach	Me-Kwa- Mooks Beach	10-11:30p.m.	18+	\$10



Seasonal Favorites



Mushroom Walks

Ages: 12 and older **Fee:** \$10 per person

Search city parks with a Seattle Urban Nature Guide for this fascinating life form that visits every Autumn. Discover the amazing story of fungus; learn their role as the ultimate recycler and natural fertilizer

Camp Long

#24702 10/05/2019 Sat 1 - 3 p.m.

Discovery Park

#24703 10/20/2019 Sun 1 - 3 p.m.

Carkeek Park

Meet the guide at the Environmental Learning Center located at the main entrance to Carkeek Park.

#24704 11/10/2019 Sun 1 - 3 p.m.

Holly Day Decorations

Discovery Park

Ages: 6 and older

Fees: \$15 per person

Don't miss this annual event! Spruce up your home for the coming winter the natural way. Create beautiful wreaths, garlands, and sprays using invasive plants that need removing from parks like English ivy, Scot's broom, cherry laurel, and holly. Be the envy of the neighborhood and a habitat hero at the same time. Basic materials provided. You may want to bring any special ribbon, cones or other personal decorations.

#24696 12/07/2019 Sat 2 - 4:30 p.m.



All programs led by trained Seattle Urban Nature Guides



Nature at Night



Full Moon Owl Prowl

Discovery Park

Ages: 8 and older **Fees:** \$10 per person

Whoo prowls the park after dark? YOU do... in search of resident and migrant owl species. We'll search meadow and forest to look for owls up close in their habitat. We'll also dissect owl pellets to piece together a food chain puzzle.

#24698 10/12/2019 Sat 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Nighttime at the Beach

Me-Kwa-Mooks Beach

Meet at Emma Schmitz Viewpoint

Ages: 18 and older **Fee:** \$10 per person

Enjoy a unique Salish Sea adventure. Bring a flashlight and join a Seattle Urban Nature Guide at Me-Kwa Mooks beach for a captivating urban nature outing – tidepool exploration at night. Please dress for the weather, bring a light source, and wear shoes that can get wet and work well on slippery surfaces.

#24697

12/13/2019

Sat

10 – 11:30 p.m.



Squid in Eel Grass

Tot Treks & Nature Play

The following programs are an opportunity for the very young to explore outside in a safe environment and to share that experience with an adult who is important to them. Parents and others that share time with a toddler can learn tips and tricks for sharing the outdoors with a little one. These programs are also a great chance to make new friends. Please register only the child for this hike and all children must be accompanied by an adult.
Ages: 2 – 3 with an adult **Fee:** \$10 per child



Fall Forest Frolic

Camp Long

Adults, explore the wonders of nature with your toddler. Join a Seattle Urban Nature Guide for a colorful celebration of fall in the forest.

#24707 10/05/2019 Sat 10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

Happy Halloween Hike

Discovery Park



Adults – grow outside with your children! Hike the park with a Seattle Urban Nature Guide and search for some of the animals associated with Halloween. Be sure to wear your favorite costume to this hike!

#24710 10/26/2019 Sat 10:30-11:45 a.m.

Nature Walks



Fall Family Forest Adventure

Camp Long

Ages: All **Fee:** \$10 per person

Explore the forests of Camp Long with a Seattle Urban Nature Guide. Find out about fantastic native plants and enjoy Autumn colors.

#24706 10/13/2019 Sun 2 – 4 p.m.

Something's Fishy

Carkeek Park

Ages: 50 and older **Fee:** \$18 per person

Carkeek Park, in the NW corner of Seattle is an environmental gem. Explore the area with an Environmental Learning Center expert who will talk about the return of the salmon, the orchard and the importance of the watershed in this park. Meet in the meadow at the lower parking lot.

#24843 11/21/2019 Thu 10 a.m. - Noon

Nature Walks cont.



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A Winter Wander Along Longfellow Creek

Camp Long and Longfellow Creek

Ages: 6 and older **Fee:** \$10 per person

Longfellow Creek is a major waterway in West Seattle. It is also a little piece of the wild in the middle of the city. Coho salmon migrate up this waterway; beavers build dams and lodges on this creek; owls hunt for food along this artery. Explore a portion of this urban wilderness with a Seattle Urban Nature Guide. Look for seasonal changes and get to know some of your wild neighbors. Be prepared to do some hiking over uneven terrain on this program. **Meet at the Camp Long lodge.**

#24695 12/08/2019 Sun 12:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Wildlife Walks

Bird Tours

Discovery Park

Ages: 8 and older **Fees:** \$5 per person

Time: 8 – 10 a.m.

Discover the joy of birding. Join experienced birders in exploring Discovery Park's many habitats looking for migrants as well as year-round residents. Please bring binoculars if you have them.

#24689	09/28/2019	Sat
#24690	10/12/2019	Sat
#24691	10/19/2019	Sat
#24692	10/26/2019	Sat
#24693	11/9/2019	Sat
24694	11/16/2019	Sat



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Wildlife Walks cont.



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Salmon Walk

Carkeek Park

Ages: 5 and older

Fee: \$10 per person

Experience an urban salmon stream with a Seattle Urban Nature Guide during the peak of the chum salmon run. Explore the lifecycle of the Pacific salmon and the hurdles they overcome to return to their home streams. **Meet the guide at the east end of the lower meadow that starts where the park road forks.** Look for the port-o-potty.

#24705 11/09/2019 Sat
10 a.m. - Noon

Space is limited. Register for programs today!

Seattle's Environmental Learning Centers

Discovery Park

3801 Discovery Park Blvd. (formerly West Government Way)

Seattle, WA. 98199

Phone: 206-386-4237

Email: discovery.park@seattle.gov

Hours: Tuesday-Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Carkeek Park

950 NW Carkeek Park Road

Seattle, WA. 98177

Carkeek Park ELC was closed due to budget cuts in 2010.

Programs, however, are still offered at the park.

Contact Discovery Park ELC.

Camp Long

5200 35th Ave SW

Seattle, WA. 98126

Phone: 206-684-7434

Email: camplong@seattle.gov

Hours: Tuesday-Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Closed Sundays Nov 1 thru Mar 1



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